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POLLY LARKIN

"Newspapers are detrimental to a family's happiness," said little Mrs. Busybody the other day, and she ought to know what she is talking about, seeing she is the mother of eight children. "I believe in reading the newspapers and keeping up with the times as much as anybody, and they are an education in themselves," she continued, "but I draw the line at improvement when it comes during the breakfast and dinner hours. The members of our family are not as punctual as they might be in responding to the bell that announces that the meal is ready. For instance, when breakfast is announced, my husband is the first one to make his appearance and there is a reason for his promptness, he wants the morning paper and it is first come first served. Not one word does he utter while he is devouring his breakfast and the paper. Then our oldest son George ushers in ahead of the other boys and seizes the part of the paper his father has finished. From the oldest to the youngest the same experience is gone through with. My husband says the daily paper is an appetizer, and he can't enjoy a meal unless he has one before him. Now if they would discuss what they are reading it wouldn't be so bad, but they don't, the meal is eaten in absolute silence. The hour we gathered around the table at my childhood's home was the happiest time of the day. Nothing disagreeable was ever brought up, but everything that could amuse in the way of incidents of the day, new anecdotes, etc., enlivened the members and made us all long for the hour to come. Father always came supplied with interesting stories, and we had gradually fallen into the way ourselves of remembering the pleasant and humorous stories we heard. How I miss it! And I have sought again and again to break up this unpleasant habit of newspaper reading at the breakfast table in our own home, but it is too firmly fixed now. I only hope that when my boys marry and have homes of their own their wives will be firm enough in the beginning and not allow the newspaper to come first. I don't have time to enjoy my family at all for the mealtime is the only time we are all together, and I would love to talk with them every minute; it really is the only pleasure I ask at their hands—that we enjoy this time spent at the table in conversation instead of reading. They have time to read going down to their work, and I would rather each one of them would buy a paper and I would pay for it myself i they would only discard the habit of reading at the table."

I have often thought of this myself when I have visited homes where the newspaper was a feature of not only the breakfast, but the dinner table, and the lament of the little woman who had lost all patience and said "newspapers were detrimental to a family's happiness" but echoed the thought of many a wife and mother who has to put up with this fad. It is not strange, either, that a man who is employed all day and has little chance for reading, wants to scan the paper for the news before he goes to work. It is something to think about, something to talk about when he is thrown with others. He must keep posted on the current events of the day. Still, after all, it seems a selfish pleasure to enjoy the paper in silenee. It would be easy to comment on some particular article of news that was the subject of widespread interest. No man would submit quietly to his wife enjoying the paper morning after morning while he ate his breakfast in silence. If he is not reading himself he wants to hear her chatting pleasantly while she pours the coffee and sees that his waffles are crisp, hot and buttered. It is a fad, however, that is growing all the time. Even the boys and girls in many families sit down with a newspaper before them. It makes them forgetful of others and takes away the sociability that should prevail at the table.

"Cigarette smoking is on the increase rather than on the decrease," said a cigar dealer the other day, "and you would be surprised if you knew how many members of the fair sex had fallen into the way of smoking. Some of them do not even try to cover up the fact that they smoke. They have their favorite brand and step boldly up to the counter any hour in the day and ask for a package of 'Vanity Fair,' etc Some of my best customers are ladies and we have several who purchase a dollar's worth of cigarettes at a time. More than one of them purchase that amount every day. I don't say they smoke them all themselves, for doubtless they treat their lady or gentleman friends who drop in for a social visit and a smoke. When they first begin to smoke they send in some gentleman friend or a boy to buy the cigarettes. Then they come in timidly themselves and make believe, as a usual thing, that they are buying the cigarettes for their brother. After a few times they are bolder and admit that they are buying for themselves, but they look up and down the street to see if any of their freinds are in sight before they enter the store. It is not long, however, until they become indifferent as to who sees them, and they step in at any time for their package of cigarettes."

That this is an o'er true story cannot be doubted, for the tell-tale nicotine that browns the fingers can be seen on many a girl's fair hand to-day. Not long since I dined with some friends at a French restaurant, and I was more interested in a party of young people than I was in the dinner that was served to our party. It was evidently a birthday party, judging from the numerous toasts that were given and the best wishes that now and then could be heard above the din of laughter, the clinking of glasses and the at times rather boisterous conversation. Champagne flowed freely. Between the different courses girls and men smoked cigarettes. That they were in a public place did not seem to occur to them—in fact, they did not care. Two of the young men took off their coats and had a friendly fight over some question in dispute, but were soon separated by one of the young girls who said she "wasn't going to let him make a guy of himself." It was anything but a credit to members of the party, who came into the restaurant modestly and quietly enough, but were exceedingly boisterous before the meal was half over. That was one of the places where a chaperon was needed. There is too much of this promiscuous dining in San Francisco and it is no wonder that an Eastern correspondent wrote "chaperones were sadly lacking in California."

BRIEF REVIEW.

Something About Stamps.

There were no postage stamps issued in this country to prepay the rates until 1847. Postmasters in different parts of the country who were probably longer headed than Congress or the Postmaster-General saw that the day of the adhesive stamp for the prepayment of postage was at hand. The credit of the first one to introduce the adhesive stamp in the United States is ascribed to one Alexander M. Gregg, who was running a dispatch post in New York in 1842 for the delivery of city letters, the postage rates being prepaid by the means of a postage stamp bearing the portrait of General Washington, with the words "United States City Dispatch Post" above and "3 cents" below. In the month of August, 1842, the Government bought Greig's design and changed the wording. From 1845 to 1847 the Postmasters of New Haven, Conn.; Alexandria, Va.; Providence, R. I.; Millbury, Mass.; Baltimore, Md.; Brattleboro, Vt., and St. Louis, Mo., also issued their own local stamps. The philatelic world, or those who were interested in these matters, were thrown into a fever of excitement about ten years ago by the discovery of an entire original New Haven envelope. It was addressed to a Washington, D. C., lawyer, and mailed, of course, at New Haven, Conn. The finder is reputed to have sold it in London for £400 ($2,000). All local provisional stamps commanded high prices, especially the 20-cent St. Louis and the 10-cent Baltimore. The former sold for $1500, and a stamp dealer in this city placed the latter stamp abroad for $2,500. It was discovered by a Washington lady who was searching through some old correspondence of 1846. A couple of years ago a colored janitor in Louisville, Ky., unearthed forty-two copies of the St. Louis stamps. He received more than $5,000 for his find. There are many rare, high-priced American and foreign stamps hidden away among old papers that will pay people handsomely to bring them to light. The United States Government has issued since 1847 some 500 different adhesive postage stamps and 2,000 stamped envelopes, and about a score of postal cards. —Washington Star.

The New York Press says that men of experience and discrimination say in no large city in the world, with the possible exception of Chicago, is so much bad liquor sold over the bar as in New York. They say also that the quality of the stuff sold is getting worse every year, and some drastic action ought to be taken to protect the people from imposition in the matter of liquors, wines and beers. New York spends more than $1,000,000 a day for its alcoholic drink purchased at retail an amount about equal to what it pays for meat, and more than it spends for bread and vegetables. The place where one buys liquor is no guarantee of its quality. In the most "swagger" and expensive places the stuff is apt to be bad. The woman who tipples in the finest hotels of Fifth avenue is just as likely to get bad whisky as is the truck driver who takes his chances on Second or Third avenue.

It is not difficult to explain why man doesn't live as long proportionately as wild animals do. The wild animals live by instinct and nature takes the place of brain in teaching them what to eat and how to live. Human beings endowed with superior mental faculties, are left to solve the problem for themselves. There is no denying the fact that even with human beings nature, when permitted, performs some of the most remarkable cures known.

The output of pig iron in the first five months of the calendar year 1905 exceeded the total output of the year 1397. In the first ten months of 1905 the output exceeded that of the previous calendar year by nearly 1,500,000 tons.

The Controller of the Currency issued a certificate authorizing the First National Bank of Livermore, California, to commence business with a capital of $25,000. W. G. Palmanteer is President and R. B. Tample, cashier.

The people of Solano county will vote next Tuesday upon the question as to whether or not the county shall be bonded for the sum of $250,000 to build a courthouse and jail at Fairfield, the present county seat.

WOMAN AND FASHION

Neat Jacket Design.

The new jackets are being shown now, some of them being out of the beaten track and very smart. Among these the plaited styles seem to be the favorite, and surely there has never been a style that is so easily handled by the home dressmaker. The jacket proper is very plain, made with seams in front and back extending to the

NORFOLK JACKET.

shoulder. This is not only a newer cut, but it is a style easier fitted than the dart coats. After the coat is fitted one has only to apply the plait over the seam and the garment is practically finished. The collar may or may not be used, just as one desires. The sleeve is finished with a box plait also and the whole "makeup" of the coat is generally good. Any woman can make such a coat as this, and it will be a good fitting one too. The shops are full of short lengths now that can be bought very reasonably and are just the thing for separate jackets. This model may be used as the coat to a suit, and any skirt will go nicely with it. Covert cloth, silk or any coat material may be used.

The Season's Combs.

In the hair this winter women will wear two combs in the back, the lower one smaller than the upper, and both jeweled at the top. These will be varied by the old colonial type of comb for a different style of coiffure, and it is more than probable that the colonial comb will share favor with its twin sister, the Spanish comb, high and broad, and intended to be used effectively in draping the mantilla upon the head. As mantles will be among the smart winter styles, the Spanish comb will be practically inevitable, although as yet not in vogue.

A Useful Garment.

In spite of the frills and furbelows of the French confection, the simple dressing sack for general usefulness continues to hold its own. Here is one which is very neat in appearance and quite the thing for general wear. It is designed for the home sewer and the pattern has been made as simple as

SIMPLE DRESSING SACK.

possible. Elderdown is excellent for cold weather wear, but if a more attractive fabric is preferred, cashmere, silk or French flannel may serve. The edges are shown faced with a dotted silk and a contrast offered here relieves the absolute plainness of the garment. The broad collar is of graceful shape and rolls back prettily from the neck. The sleeves are loose at the wrist, this style being best suited to the needs of such a jacket. In the medium size three yards of thirty-six inch material are needed.

Sashes For Young Folks.

Little girls and big are to wear sashes this winter. Knots are to be large and small, tight and loose. They may be worn at the side as well as in the back, and the color may be whatever its owner chooses.

The revival of thin white dresses for older girls is probably somewhat responsible for the resurrection of sashes so long banished for all but the very small, but the fashion is a pretty and becoming one that should be encouraged.

The Nation's Timekeeper.

Americans get their correct time from a little room in the naval observatory, located on Georgetown heights, in the suburbs of Washington. The observatory was originally intended to detect errors in ship chronometers and to regulate them properly. This work constitutes one department at the institution, but perhaps its most important function is that of being the nation's timekeeper.

Some naturalists say that the whale was once a land animal that took to the water for safety.

RIDING A CAMEL.

More Convenient and Less Tiring Than Horseback Riding.

Camel riding in the desert of Sahara is not so very fatiguing after one has learned how. A veteran traveler in that district describes the process: "Each riding camel has a bridle, or rather a halter, of plaited leather like an ordinary halter, and the camel is guided as a horse would be if riding him with one rein only. The saddle is a most elaborate affair. To adjust one properly on a camel's hump is an art extremely difficult to master. First two cushions of leather, stuffed with grass straw, are placed on the animal's hump, and on these is set the saddle. This latter consists of two wooden forks, one in front and one behind, connected by a side board. Above this is placed the seat of the saddle, which is built like a square saucer. The tops of the wooden forks rising in front and behind form two saddlehorns, and, once one has negotiated his way into the saucer and installed the feet and legs by letting them, from the knee downward, hang over the front, one is pretty safe from falling out. Cushions and rugs placed in this saucerlike depression add to the comfort. The saddle is secured by a wide girth and also by a shoulder strap and girth at the back that takes the place of a crupper.

"There are, of course, no stirrups, the foot merely hanging over the front. After one has learned to avoid an occasional dig in the middle of the back from the hindmost horn and has become accustomed to the weight of the legs hanging over the front, camel riding is very comfortable and far less tiring than horseback riding, especially as one's position can be varied in many ways by riding sidesaddle or crossing the legs on the camel's neck, and so forth. The long, swinging gait is fairly easy, and one can move about on a camel's back in a manner that would startle any ordinary horse.

"On the saddle are carried a pair of leather saddlebags, wherein I carry books, maps, instruments, cartridges, lunch and the like. From the horns of the saddle are hung rifle, field glasses, prismatic compass and water bottle. Altogether it is a pretty complete outfit and only equaled by a Chinese chair for convenience in traveling when one wishes to hunt and nap at the same time."

RACING WITH OXEN.

An Odd Sport Popular In Rural Districts In Germany.

In many of the out of the way districts of Germany ox racing has long been a very popular sport, entrance fee for the races is small, but the beasts must be ridden by their owners. The rider is not allowed to have either whip or spur, and he must ride his animal bareback, trusting to his voice to guide the beast. It is here that the skill of the rider comes into play, as everything depends upon the training of the ox and the ability of the owner to direct his movements. As the oxen do not race on a track it is no easy matter to guide them. The racecourse is a field perhaps a mile square, the start being made at one side and the finish at the other. Speed is of secondary importance in the race. Like golf, the sport requires accuracy, and the rider who can force his lumbering charger to go in a straight line is certain to win.

When all the competitors are lined up at the starting point the signal to begin the race is given. Then the fun commences, for in spite of the riders' efforts the steeds usually refuse to head toward the finish mark. Besides, the difficulties are greatly increased from the fact that the onlookers are allowed to be in the field and may do anything to interfere with the contestants so long as they do not touch him or the beast. Though oxen are naturally the least excitable of animals, the noise of the spectators soon reduces them to a state of utter bewilderment. Often an hour will pass before one of the oxen is ridden under the wire. The victor receives a small money prize, which is nothing compared to the honors brought him by his victory, and the animal is decorated with garlands of flowers. Among the peasants great events are reckoned from the time So-and-so won the ox race.—New York Herald.

Historic Wheat.

Experts on the subject of bread grains say that wheat can be traced back into the dim past across the line marked by the advent of historic man into the dim shades of the stone age. It has been known in Egypt and in the valleys of the Euphrates and the Tigris since the time when history "runneth not to the contrary." The prehistoric races which formerly lived in the famous "lake dwellings," which were built on platforms supported by piles driven in the lakes of Switzerland, had their mealing stones, wheat mortars, sickles and other grain harvesting and flourmaking apparatus at least 4,000 years ago. Wheat found in ancient Egyptian tombs and in the ruins of the lake dwellings referred to is identical with that which we use today.

The Ragged Brigade.

The nickname of the Ragged brigade bestowed on the Thirteenth hussars is complimentary rather than detrimental to them, being a reminder of the gallant services rendered and the severe hardships endured by them when serving in the peninsular war under the Duke of Wellington. They took part in no fewer than thirty-two engagements and skirmishes, in addition to their share in general actions. In the course of the campaign the hard service they had seen had reduced their uniforms to tatters; hence their nickname.—London Telegraph.

An Ancient Substitute For Turkey.

A roast sucking pig was formerly a favorite royal dish on Christmas day, says an English magazine. George IV. was particularly fond of the head of a sucking pig, split, well seasoned and devilled.

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CATHOLIC CHURCH—Commencing Sunday, November 20th and until further notice, mass will be said in St. Francis' Church, Sonoma, on the first and third Sundays of the month at 10:30 a. m., and on the second and fourth Sundays mass will be said in St. Francis' Church, Sonoma, at 9 a. m., and in St. Mary's Church, Glen Ellen, at 11 a. m. On the fifth Sunday of every month in which five Sundays occur, mass will be said in St. Eary's Church, Glen Ellen, at 9 a. m., and in St. Francis' Church, Sonoma, at 11 a. m.

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Among the Sonoma county people who will participate in the general sessions of the State Teachers' Association, are President E. Morris Cox, of the Council of Education; County Superintendent of Schools, Miss Minnie Coulter, Allison B. Ware, Jr., of the State Normal school, and others. Miss Coulter will read two papers and will also present reports from two or three committees of the State Association.

Dissolation of Co-Partnership.

The partnership heretofore existing between O. P. Palstine and J. M. McGimsey, under the firm name of Palstine and McGimsey, at Sonoma City, Sonoma County, California, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. J. M. McGimsey retiring.

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Those who are awarded diplomas of graduation from the grammar schools are as follows:—

Dolly Enzenauer, Nellie A. Jones, Elizabeth B. Klostermeyer, Virginia Ridenhour, Katinka Nommensin, Amelia Ferini, Louis Filippini, Hans Rued, Arthur W. Moody, Anice Rickets, Alice Madison, Harry Tomlin, L. Dite Dabney Vernet Smith, Maria Louise Bundersen, Lee Hakes, Mamie Burleigh, Lulu Bartholomew, Laura Taylor, Edna Matthews, Victor Doda, James W. Hatton, Orie Maud Stiene.

Educational Exhibit.

The International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pa., have now on exhibition in Lord's Tailor shop window a line of Text Books and Outfits of their different courses of study. This is the largest educational institution in the world. Don't fail to see it.

New Advertisements

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Turkey Raffle—J. McNeil
Watches and Jewelry—H. L. Armstrong & Sons, Napa.
Cement Work—P. Basalia.
Reliable Dry Goods—Racket Store.
Star Restaurant—Santa Rosa.

Satisfactory, substantial work at reasonable prices brings business That is why Wm. Trudgen the stone mason, is so busy at the present time. Call and see him.

Temple Lodge, F & A. M. conferred the Third Degree last Tuesday evening.

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When in Petaluma see Daunt's stock of watches, clocks, cut glass, etc., it is the largest and the prices the smallest. *

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GLEN ELLEN

Thomas D. Mann has been quite ill with pneumonia, but is now improving and out of danger.

W. S. Bonbright has been appointed assistant mail carrier on the rural delivery route from Glen Ellen.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Baesch, Robt. P. Hill and Chas. J. Poppe, transacted legal business at Santa Rosa last Monday.

Miss Anna Quien and Miss Amy Poppe now at home spending their holiday vacation from the Santa Rosa High School.

J. W. Gibson has completed his new building the upper story of which will be used as a Fraternal Hall. The old hall will be divided into rooms and used as an addition to the Glen Ellen Hotel.

Mrs. J. H. Jones of this place who is an expert in fine poultry, had the good fortune to secure a first premium at the Cal. Poultry Show held in San Francisco some weeks ago.

The public schools at this place will close next Friday.

The first regular meeting of Glen Ellen Circle No. 657, Women of Woodcraft, was held at Native Sons Hall last Wednesday evening.

A new foundation is being laid under the Mervyn Hotel at this place. Geo. Cole the old veteran, is doing the work.

A meeting of Glen Ellen Circle, Women of Woodcraft, was held at Social Hall the 9th of this month, for the installation of officers and initiation of any candidates who were so imprudent as not to be present at the former initiation and thus escape the ordeal prepared for them.

The meeting was called to order by La Rosa Circle and two applications for membership read. La Rosa Circle then initiated the candidates present, giving an excellent exhibition of drill team work and Glen Ellen Circle an ideal to work up to along this line.

After the installation of officers by Deputy State Organizer, Margaret Wilder, Glen Ellen Circle arose in a body and gave the Circle Honors to the visiting members for their kindness in traveling so many miles to assist its infant sister circle in its work.

All present then repaired to the adjoining room where refreshments were served and speeches became the order of the hour. All voted the first regular meeting a very enjoyable one after which Glen Ellen Circle bade their guests adieu expressing a wish that they might meet again.

Christmas goods—RACKET.

CHRISTMAS TREES.

A large stock of large and small Christmas trees on sale at L. H. Green's Lumber Yard. Leave your order early.

ABRUPT ENDING OF MURDER TRIAL.

The trial of William I. Meyer, charged with the murder of August Kussner at Stewart's Point last Easter, came to a sudden and somewhat sensational close Tuesday morning, when District Attorney Pond moved that the case be dismissed and Judge Burnett ordered the defendant discharged from custody.

This was Meyer's third trial, the jury having twice before disagreed, the first time standing six to six and the second time seven for acquittal. The third trial began Monday, and most of the day was taken up with examining jurymen. When night came, the entire panel of seventy men had been exhausted and only five jurymen secured. Court adjourned at five o'clock, and a special venire was ordered returnable Tuesday morning at half past nine o'clock.

When court opened the District Attorney arose and made a statement to the effect that he believed Sheriff Grace had intentionally or unintentionally summoned a venire the majority of which were personally unfriendly to him (Pond), and that under the circumstances he thought to proceed with the case would be useless.

Assistant Dist. Attorney Thompson followed with a statement in which he said "we consider this one of the most flagrant cases of attempting to stuff a jury that we have ever seen," and directly charged the Sheriff with having willfully selected a venire that he knew would not convict.

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Isn't it a pity that so many people go through life as nervous, fretful invalids, always in a sick-bed or on the verge of it. They are to be sincerely pitied for the great majority have in them the making of healthy, amiable, capable men and women. These cases become sadder still when it is realized that the sufferings they endure are unnecessary. Any one can be healthy and amiable and helpful if they will take care of the health.

Foul breath is caused by foul stomach attended with torpid liver, bitter or bad taste, furred tongue, loss of, or irregular appetite, heavy or full bloated feeling in stomach, "water brash," or sour eructations of gas, sick or bilious headaches, disposition to despondency, or "the blues," irritable temper or peevishness and kindred symptoms. Not all of these symptoms are present in every case.

To tone up and invigorate both stomach and liver and start the digestive processes into healthy action, there is, to say the least, *no superior* agent to Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is prepared without the use of a particle of alcohol, from the active medicinal principles extracted from the roots of native American plants, and is an honestly made, safe medicine that any one may take without fear of forming an appetite for stimulants. Its benefits and cures are lasting and not simply the temporary exhilaration sometimes experienced from strong alcoholic preparations.

No man is stronger than his stomach, therefore, when the stomach is weak it should be promptly toned up and put in order to the end that it may properly digest and prepare for proper assimilation the food which otherwise can not strengthen the body. You cannot find a medicine that will do this more promptly and permanently than "Golden Medical Discovery." A whole train of bodily ailments result when the stomach becomes foul, torpid and weak, and, naturally enough, when the stomach trouble is cured they, being dependent thereon, disappear; hence it is that rheumatism, blotches, pimples, eruptions, scrofulous sores, kidney affections and various and diverse appearing maladies yield to the potent tonic and alterative properties of the "Golden Medical Discovery." Bear in mind that the "Discovery" is an active, potent medicine and not a beverage to be taken for its exhilarating effects. It is made to cure disease, not to appease a craving for stimulants.

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If somebody was offering to give away gold mines for the asking what a scrambling there would be! When a mine of health is offered there is some lively scrambling too. Over 680,000 people hurried to get Doctor Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser at $1.50 per copy. It has 1,008 pages with over 700 illustrations. This book may now be had free. Send 21 one-cent stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., the cost of mailing *only*, and get the book in paper covers; or, send 31 stamps for book in cloth binding.

ONLY A RUMOR

The report that Mr. and Mrs. P. Monahan, of the Mervyn Hotel, Glen Ellen, were going to sell or rent that well known hostelry, is without foundation. In fact we were informed by Mr. Monahan that the Mervyn will be conducted next summer under the present management on a much larger scale than formerly, many improvements being contemplated.

Catarrh cannot be cured

with local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

Bright's Disease and Diabetes are Curable.

A pamphlet has come into our hands fram San Francisco under the above heading that proves almost indisputably that the long sought cure for Bright's Disease and Diabetes has been found. It deals so frankly and exhaustively with the question that we have laid it aside to loan to those afflicted. People who have relatives with either of these heretofore fatal diseases ought certainly to see it.

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SUPERIOR COURT NOTES

In the Superior Court on Monday.

The suit of Forni vs. Areasi, was dropped from the calendar, and the matter of Batchelor vs. Cummings, was continued to Dec. 26.

On February 1, the action for damages for alleged malicious prosecution brought by N. Forni against Clemente Ariasi, will be heard before Judge Emmet Seawell.

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SUMMONS

In the Superior Court of the State of California. In and for the County of Sonoma. No. 6300.

G. CLARENCE NICHOLS, Plaintiff, vs. EVA E. NICHOLS, Defendant.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, and the complaint filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County of Sonoma. Robert A. Poppe, Sonoma, Cal., Attorney for Plaintiff.

The People of the State of California send greeting to Eva E. Nichols, defendant:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the Complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, within ten days after the service on you of this Summons—if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said Plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the Complaint, as arising upon contract, or he will apply to the Court for any other relief demanded in the Complaint.

(SEAL) Given under my hand and the seal of the said Superior Court this 25th day of October, 1905.

F. L. WRIGHT, County Clerk.

By L. A. PRESSLEY, Deputy Clerk.

SUMMONS

In the Superior Court of the State of California, In and for the County of Sonoma.

JOHN B JACKSON, Plaintiff, vs. MARY E. JACKSON, Defendant.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, and the complaint filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County of Sonoma. J. T. Campbell and Ross Campbell, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

The People of the State of California send greeting to Mary E. Jackson, Defendant:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, within ten days after the service on you of this Summons—if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said Plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the Complaint, as arising upon contract, or he will apply to the Court for any other relief demanded in the Complaint.

(SEAL) Given under my hand and the seal of the said Superior Court, this 30th day of October, 1905.

F. L. WRIGHT, County Clerk.

By L. A. PRESSLEY, Deputy Clerk.

SUMMONS

In the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma. No. 6171.

MAE BUTLER, Plaintiff, vs. CHARLES A. BUTLER, Defendant.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, and the complaint filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County of Sonoma.

The People of the State of California send greeting to Charles A. Butler, defendant:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, within ten days after the service on you of this Summons—if served within this county; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint, as arising upon contract, or she will apply to the court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the said Superior Court this 27th day of September, 1905.

(SEAL) F. L. WRIGHT, County Clerk
By J. W. FORD, Deputy Clerk

CLARENCE F. LEA, Santa Rosa, Cal., Attorney for Plaintiff

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In Another Column Will be Found the Notice of Dissolution of Partnership Formerly Existing between O. P. Palstine and J. M. McGimsey, Under the Firm Name of

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Salmon, reg $1.45, now $1.15 per doz
30 per cent off on all Teas
Lantern, reg 65c, now 45c

Sack of Flour	$1 25	Broom	$ 35
2 lbs of Tea	1 00	Maple Syrup	75
2 lbs of Baking Powder	90	2 lbs Tea	1 00
1 doz Tomatoes	1 00	Corn Meal	35
2 25c boxes Paste	50	Half doz Corn Starch	50
5 lbs Kingan Bacon	95	Schillings Lemon and Vanilla	55
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Regular	$6 35	Regular	$3 50
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On Monday the matter disposed of in the divorce suit which L. D. Batchelor has brought against his wife, Mrs. Susie Batchelor, was the motion made by Batchelor for

LOCAL ITEMS

A complete new stock of Holiday Goods at G. H. Hotz. Make your selections early.

Mrs. L. V. Emparan returned Tuesday evening from a few days stay with friends in San Francisco.

Miss Hazel Goess of San Francisco, spent Sunday with her parents.

A young native daughter came to brighten the home of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] outs one day last week.

[illegible]ccount of the Christmas and [illegible]ear's holidays, the Californ[illegible]rthwestern R'y will sell its [illegible] Saturday to Monday round [illegible]kets on Saturday, Sunday, [illegible]onday, Dec. 23rd, 24th and [illegible] limited for return until [illegible]y, December 26th, 1905. [illegible]turday, Sunday and Mon[illegible]Dec. 30th, 31st, and January [illegible]h limit of return Tuesday, [illegible]y 2nd, 1906.

[illegible]e work is cheaper than wood [illegible] end and less expensive to [illegible]n repair. See Wm. Trudgen [illegible]ne, cement or Cemetery [illegible]f any kind.

[illegible] Helberg made a beautiful [illegible]of striped bass one day re[illegible] having hooked 16 of the [illegible]ribe in Schell Slough. Fred [illegible]t forget ye editor. Thanks.

[illegible]n Watt visited friends in [illegible]ma this week.

[illegible]M. Skinner's parrot escaped [illegible]the cage in his real estate [illegible]n Petaluma last week. The [illegible]a valuable one.

[illegible]. Reed and her son, moved to [illegible]rom near Caliente this week, [illegible]re now occupying rooms in [illegible]Expositor building. Mrs. [illegible]s son is afflicted with rheu[illegible]n, and is taking electrical [illegible]ent with Dr. Byron.

[illegible]ts extra quality hemstitched [illegible]handkerchiefs at Lord's, only [illegible]ts. See the window display.

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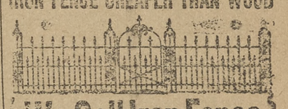

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Supplement to Sonoma Valley Expositor

December 22, 1905

Substituting Bureaucratic Methods.

Some of the leading points in the address that Samuel Spencer recently made before the Newark, N. J., Board of Trade, concerning proposed legislation that were not contained in the condensed press dispatches are as follows:

"Up to the present time, shipper and carrier have been free to work together without political interference, to facilitate the establishment and development of new industries; to reach out for new markets for our farmers and manufacturers; to create new communities and maintain the prosperity of those already established, and to cooperate to the fullest possible extent to enlarge the volume of both our domestic and foreign trade.

"It is now proposed to change this system and substitute for it one in which artificial bureaucratic methods will take the place of the natural laws of trade and commerce which have been the controlling force and evolution of the present system.

"And it must be borne in mind that it is proposed to give those enormous powers to a body on whom no responsibilities rest or can rest for the preservation or maintenance of the railroad property or for the discharge of its financial obligations or the fulfillment of its duties to the public as an efficient common carrier.

"If it were proposed that the goverment should acquire the ownership of all the railroads of the country and assume the responsibility for their operation and management, the payment of their obligations and the protection of the capital invested, entirely different questions would arise. But that is not the plan proposed by the legislation now being urged. It is proposed to grant power over the earning capacity without imposing corresponding responsibility for the necessary expenses and risks of conducting the business."

LOCAL ITEMS

We are glad to be able to announce that Henry Bates is gradually recovering from a serious attack of pnuemonia. He is under the care of Dr. Thompson as is also little Miss Zoelita Bates, who is quite ill from tonsilitis.

H. W. Byron, father of Dr. A. E. Byron, spent Friday last in Sonoma, the guest of his son. Mr. Byron Sr. is an agriculturist of note and resides in Lemoore, Kings Co. and was a delegate to the State Fruit Growers Convention, which met in Santa Rosa recently.

Mr. and Mrs. August Rouquie are the happy parents of a bouncing native son who came to gladden their home at Vineburg one day last week.

Sweet's Business College

Read the new ad of Sweet's Business College in this issue and remember that there is no better business college on the Pacific Coast in point of efficient and thorough training, reliability and valuable personal assistance to pupils and graduates. What they promise they invariably fulfill.

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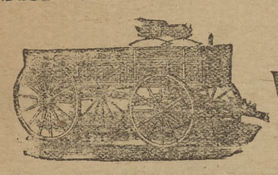

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Christmas Services.

Christmas day Mass will be [illegible]ated in St. Francis' Church [illegible]0 A. M. and 11 A. M. and on [illegible]me day in St. Mary's Church [illegible] Ellen at 9 A. M. In St. [illegible]is Church the services will be [illegible]mpressive. The children will [illegible]t the 6:30 A. M. Mass and an [illegible]nted choir under the direction [illegible]s. L. V. Emparan will sing at [illegible] A. M. Mass.

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each of the guests with a rabbit's foot, and was herself the recipent of many appropriate gifts.

Frido Clewe is spending his vacation at his home here.

While assisting in some carpenter work at his home in Glen Ellen, Tom Monahan was accidentally hurt by a hammer falling on his head. His injury is not serious.

Daunt's for Xmas presents. *

Miss Inez Reed of San Francisco, spent Sunday with her folks here.

Miss Ruth Poppe returned to San Francisco after a few weeks stay with her parents.

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State Teachers' Convention

The State Teachers' Institute will meet in Berkeley next week.

One of the important features of this convention is a side convention for school trustees and members of the boards of education. This is a new feature and Miss Coulter emphasizes the importance of its meetings and discussions. Already a number of the school trustees of the county are planning to attend some of the sessions.

Among the Sonoma county people who will participate in the general sessions of the State Teachers' Association, are President E. Morris Cox, of the Council of Education; County Superintendent of Schools, Miss Minnie Coulter, Allison B. Ware, Jr., of the State Normal school, and others. Miss Coulter will read two papers and will also present reports from two or three committees of the State Association.

Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

The partnership heretofore existing between O. P. Palstine and J. M. McGimsey, under the firm name of Palstine and McGimsey, at Sonoma City, Sonoma County, California, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent, J. M. McGimsey retiring.

The business of the late firm will be continued by O. P. Palstine, who will assume all obligations, and collect all outstanding accounts.

Dated at Sonoma, Cal., Dec., 20, 1905.

J. M. McGimsey
O. P. Palstine.

THE STAR RESTAURANT

Messrs Varner & Farley have leased the room formerly used as Grahams' Resturant, have refitted and greatly improved the same. Both young men are well and favorably known and have enjoyed many successful years experiences in the catering business. The new Star Resturant is a model of neatness and convenience and is altogether the best place for a good meal in Santa Rosa. Read their new ad.

The Sonoma County Board of Education have completed the work of reviewing the papers sent in from the recent examination in the various schools of the county.

Those who are awarded diplomas of graduation from the grammar schools are as follows:—

Dolly Enzenauer, Nellie A. Jones, Elizabeth B. Klostermeyer, Virginia Ridenhour, Katinka Nommensin, Amelia Ferini, Louis Filippini, Hans Rued, Arthur W. Moody, Anice Rickets, Alice Madison, Harry Tomlin, L. Dite Dabney Vernet Smith, Maria Louise Bundersen, Lee Hakes, Mamie Burleigh, Lulu Bartholomew, Laura Taylor, Edna Matthews, Victor Doda, James W. Hatton, Orie Maud Stiene.

Educational Exhibit.

The International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pa., have now on exhibition in Lord's Tailor shop window a line of Text Books and Outfits of their different courses of study. This is the largest educational institution in the world. Don't fail to see it.

New Advertisements

Stock reducing sale—O. P. Palstine
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Turkey Raffle—J. McNeil
Watches and Jewelry—H. L. Armstrong & Sons, Napa.
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Star Restaurant—Santa Rosa.

Satisfactory, substantial work at reasonable prices brings business That is why Wm. Trudgen the stone mason, is so busy at the present time. Call and see him.

Temple Lodge, F & A. M. conferred the Third Degree last Tuesday evening.

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GLEN ELLEN

Thomas D. Mann has been quite ill with pneumonia, but is now improving and out of danger.

W. S. Bonbright has been appointed assistant mail carrier on the rural delivery route from Glen Ellen.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Baesch, Robt. P. Hill and Chas. J. Poppe, transacted legal business at Santa Rosa last Monday.

Miss Anna Quien and Miss Amy Poppe now at home spending their holiday vacation from the Santa Rosa High School.

J. W. Gibson has completed his new building the upper story of which will be used as a Fraternal Hall. The old hall will be divided into rooms and used as an addition to the Glen Ellen Hotel.

Mrs. J. H. Jones of this place who is an expert in fine poultry, had the good fortune to secure a first premium at the Cal. Poultry Show held in San Francisco some weeks ago.

The public schools at this place will close next Friday.

The first regular meeting of Glen Ellen Circle No. 657, Women of Woodcraft, was held at Native Sons Hall last Wednesday evening.

A new foundation is being laid under the Mervyn Hotel at this place. Geo. Cole the old veteran, is doing the work.

A meeting of Glen Ellen Circle, Women of Woodcraft, was held at Social Hall the 9th of this month, for the installation of officers and initiation of any candidates who were so imprudent as not to be present at the former initiation and thus escape the ordeal prepared for them.

The meeting was called to order by La Rosa Circle and two applications for membership read. La Rosa Circle then initiated the candidates present, giving an excellent exhibition of drill team work and Glen Ellen Circle an ideal to work up to along this line.

After the installation of officers by Deputy State Organizer, Margaret Wilder, Glen Ellen Circle arose in a body and gave the Circle Honors to the visiting members for their kindness in traveling so many miles to assist its infant sister circle in its work.

All present then repaired to the adjoining room where refreshments were served and speeches became the order of the hour. All voted the first regular meeting a very enjoyable one after which Glen Ellen Circle bade their guests adieu expressing a wish that they might meet again.

Christmas goods—RACKET.

CHRISTMAS TREES.

A large stock of large and small Christmas trees on sale at L. H. Green's Lumber Yard. Leave your order early.

ABRUPT ENDING OF MURDER TRIAL.

The trial of William I. Meyer, charged with the murder of August Kussner at Stewart's Point last Easter, came to a sudden and somewhat sensational close Tuesday morning, when District Attorney Pond moved that the case be dismissed and Judge Burnett ordered the defendant discharged from custody.

This was Meyer's third trial, the jury having twice before disagreed, the first time standing six to six and the second time seven for acquittal. The third trial began Monday, and most of the day was taken up with examining jurymen. When night came, the entire panel of seventy men had been exhausted and only five jurymen secured. Court adjourned at five o'clock, and a special venire was ordered returnable Tuesday morning at half past nine o'clock.

When court opened the District Attorney arose and made a statement to the effect that he believed Sheriff Grace had intentionally or unintentionally summoned a venire the majority of which were personally unfriendly to him (Pond), and that under the circumstances he thought to proceed with the case would be useless.

Assistant Dist. Attorney Thompson followed with a statement in which he said "we consider this one of the most flagrant cases of attempting to stuff a jury that we have ever seen," and directly charged the Sheriff with having willfully selected a venire that he knew would not convict.

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Isn't it a pity that so many people go through life as nervous, fretful invalids, always in a sick-bed or on the verge of it. They are to be sincerely pitied for the great majority have in them the making of healthy, amiable, capable men and women. These cases become sadder still when it is realized that the sufferings they endure are unnecessary. Any one can be healthy and amiable and helpful if they will take care of the health.

Foul breath is caused by foul stomach attended with torpid liver, bitter or bad taste, furred tongue, loss of, or irregular appetite, heavy or full bloated feeling in stomach, "water brash," or sour eructations of gas, sick or bilious headaches, disposition to despondency, or "the blues," irritable temper or peevishness and kindred symptoms. Not all of these symptoms are present in every case.

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If somebody was offering to give away gold mines for the asking what a scrambling there would be! When a mine of health is offered there is some lively scrambling too. Over 680,000 people hurried to get Doctor Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser at $1.50 per copy. It has 1,008 pages with over 700 illustrations. This book may now be had free. Send 21 one-cent stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., the cost of mailing *only*, and get the book in paper covers; or, send 31 stamps for book in cloth binding.

ONLY A RUMOR

The report that Mr. and Mrs. P. Monahan, of the Mervyn Hotel, Glen Ellen, were going to sell or rent that well known hostelry, is without foundation. In fact we were informed by Mr. Monahan that the Mervyn will be conducted next summer under the present management on a much larger scale than formerly, many improvements being contemplated.

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A pamphlet has come into our hands from San Francisco under the above heading that proves almost indisputably that the long sought cure for Bright's Disease and Diabetes has been found. It deals so frankly and exhaustively with the question that we have laid it aside to loan to those afflicted. People who have relatives with either of these heretofore fatal diseases ought certainly to see it.

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SUPERIOR COURT NOTES

In the Superior Court on Monday.

The suit of Forni vs. Areasi, was dropped from the calendar, and the matter of Batchelor vs. Cummings, was continued to Dec. 26.

On February 1, the action for damages for alleged malicious prosecution brought by N. Forni against Clemente Ariasi, will be heard before Judge Emmet Seawell.

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SUMMONS

In the Superior Court of the State of California. In and for the County of Sonoma. No. 6390.
G. CLARENCE NICHOLS, Plaintiff
vs.
EVA E. NICHOLS, Defendant

Action brought in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, and the complaint filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County of Sonoma. Robert A. Poppe, Sonoma, Cal., Attorney for Plaintiff.

The People of the State of California send greeting to Eva E. Nichols, defendant:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the Complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, within ten days after the service on you of this Summons—if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said Plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the Complaint, as arising upon contract, or he will apply to the Court for any other relief demanded in the Complaint.

{SEAL} Given under my hand and the seal of the said Superior Court this 25th day of October, 1905.

F. L. WRIGHT, County Clerk.

By L. A. PRESSLEY, Deputy Clerk.

SUMMONS

In the Superior Court of the State of California, In and for the County of Sonoma.
JOHN B JACKSON, Plaintiff
vs.
MARY E. JACKSON, Defendant

Action brought in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, and the complaint filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County of Sonoma. J. T. Campbell and Ross Campbell, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

The People of the State of California send greeting to Mary E. Jackson, Defendant:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, within ten days after the service on you of this Summons—if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said Plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the Complaint, as arising upon contract, or he will apply to the Court for any other relief demanded in the Complaint.

{SEAL} Given under my hand and the seal of the said Superior Court, this 30th day of October, 1905.

F. L. WRIGHT, County Clerk.

By L. A. PRESSLEY, Deputy Clerk.

SUMMONS

In the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma. No. 6171.
MAE BUTLER, Plaintiff
vs.
CHARLES A. BUTLER, Defendant

Action brought in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, and the complaint filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County of Sonoma.

The People of the State of California send greeting to Charles A. Butler, defendant:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, within ten days after the service on you of this Summons—if served within this county; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint, as arising upon contract, or she will apply to the court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the said Superior Court this 27th day of September, 1905.

{SEAL} F. L. WRIGHT, County Clerk
By J. W. FORD, Deputy Clerk

CLARENCE F. LEA, Santa Rosa, Cal., Attorney for Plaintiff

Buyers, Attention!

In Another Column Will be Found the Notice of Dissolution of Partnership Formerly Existing between O. P. Palstine and J. M. McGimsey, Under the Firm Name of

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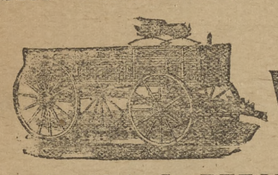

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THE BATCHELOR DIVORCE CASE.

On Monday the matter disposed of in the divorce suit which L. D. Batchelor has brought against his wife, Mrs. Susie Batchelor, was the motion made by Batchelor for a change of venue of the trial pla e from the county to San Francisco Batchelor made a somewhat vigorous statement in his own behalf before Attorney T. S. Minot, the attorney who once resigned from the case stepped in and then things became a little warmer. After listening to what both sides had to say, the Court denied the motion for a change of venue.

The next thing on the tapis was Mrs. Batchelor's petition to be given the custody of the children. Then it was a battle, fought out to a sensational end. The outcome of it was that Judge Burnett awarded the custody of the boy to the mother and gave the girl to the father, but provided that both mother and father were entitled to see the children. A somewhat vigorous protest was made by Attorney Minot against the mother being allowed to see the girl. The Court further ordered that she should be allowed to see the child once a week. Then there was some wrangling as to where the girl, Alvina, a pretty child, should meet her mother, and finally it was agreed that they should see each other at a friend's house in San Francisco, and that the first meeting should be on Christmas Day.

Mrs. Stella Mair, who said she was a first cousin of Mrs. Batchelor, was called as a witness and she testified among other things that during a visit she paid to the Batchelor ranch, near Sonoma, she had heard Mrs. Batchelor call her children vile names, and had had seen her beat them. She also filed an affidavit attacking Mrs. Batchelor's character. It was evident from the manner of the witness' testimony and her demeanor towards Mrs. Batchelor that there is no love lost between them. When James Sweeny, with whom is associated, J Rollo Leppo, started to question the witness as to when she was married, Attorney Minot delivered himself of a vehement speech in which he said counsel was attempting to reflect upon Mrs. Mair's character.

Judge Burnett stated that he had talked to the boy and girl and said that the boy wanted to stay with his mother and that the girl expressed a desire to stay where she is—attending St. Gertrude's Academy at Rio Vista—and in the custody of her father. It was easy to realize and appreciate the very unpleasant position in which both the children are placed when the serious estrangement between their parents is taken into consideration. Two weeks hence the Court will hear a motion for the appointment of a receiver for the ranch in Sonoma Valley.

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LOCAL ITEMS

A complete new stock of Holiday Goods at G. H. Hotz. Make your selections early.

John Comelately, a vagrant who persisted in taking up his permanent abode in Sonoma, was given thirty days in the big house at Santa Rosa on Monday.

Among the sums of money apportioned to the various road districts, Glen Ellen district, with an assessed value of $5,559.94, will receive $1,357.28; Agua Caliente district, with an assessed value of $6,456.38, will receive $1,576 12; San Luis district, with a assessed value of $12,852.63, will receive $3,137.56

Suits made to measure, RACKET

A nice box of Fine French Candy from Lutgens makes an acceptable Christmas present.

Jack Gottenburg is confined to his room by sickness.

Harry Bernard and wife are sojourning at Baxterville for a few days.

Miss Long left to-day to visit friends and relatives in San Francisco.

Eph. Weiss, the expert refracting optician, will be in Sonoma, at the Union Hotel Jan. 2nd.

Watches, clocks, silverware, jewelry, etc. at Mrs. Lutgens for presents. *

Miss Sadie Agnew, who has been visiting friends here for the past week, has returned to her home in Petaluma.

Two more arc lights have been spoken for and will be put up as soon as the permission of the city trustees has been secured.

Bruening's Receipt for "General depression." Eat Bruening's Bread three times each day. Bakery Northside of Plaza.

A pleasant time was spent at the Presentation Convent School Tuesday afternoon, when the Christmas closing exercises took place. A Christmas tree heavily laden with gifts was erected in the school room which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. A good program was rendered by the pupils.

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Miss Dorothy Dobbel entertained a number of her girl friends last Saturday afternoon at a birthdny party. A pleasant evening was spent and dainty refreshments were served. Miss Dorothy presented each of the guests with a rabbi's foot, and was herself the recipent of many appropriate gifts.

Frido Clewe is spending his vacation at his home here.

While assisting in some carpenter work at his home in Glen Ellen, Tom Monahan was accidentally hurt by a hammer falling on his head. His injury is not serious.

Daunt's for Xmas presents. *

Miss Inez Reed of San Francisco, spent Sunday with her folks here.

Miss Ruth Poppe returned to San Francisco after a few weeks stay with her parents.

Suits to order while you wait. You'll not have to wait long—our machines are run by electric power. H. F. Lord.

Mrs. L. V. Emparan returned Tuesday evening from a few days stay with friends in San Francisco.

Miss Hazel Goess of San Francisco, spent Sunday with her parents.

A young native daughter came to brighten the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fouts one day last week.

On account of the Christmas and New Year's holidays, the California Northwestern R'y will sell its special Saturday to Monday round trip tickets on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, Dec. 23rd, 24th and 25th, limited for return until Tuesday, December 26th, 1905, on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Dec. 30th, 31st, and January 1st, with limit of return Tuesday, January 2nd, 1906.

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Fred Helberg made a beautiful catch of striped bass one day recently, having hooked 16 of the finny tribe in Schell Slough. Fred did not forget ye editor. Thanks.

John Watt visited friends in Petaluma this week.

R. M. Skinner's parrot escaped from the cage in his real estate office in Petaluma last week. The bird is a valuable one.

Mrs. Reed and her son, moved to town from near Caliente this week, and are now occupying rooms in the Expositor building. Mrs. Reed's son is afflicted with rheumatism, and is taking electrical treatment with Dr. Byron.

Gents extra quality hemstitched linen handkerchiefs at Lord's, only 10 cents. See the window display.

Millinery sale—RACKET

Christmas Services.

On Christmas day Mass will be celebrated in St. Francis' Church at 6:30 A. M. and 11 A. M. and on the same day in St. Mary's Church Glen Ellen at 9 A. M. In St. Francis Church the services will be very impressive. The children will sing at the 6:30 A. M. Mass and an augmented choir under the direction of Mrs. L. V. Emparan will sing at the 11 A. M. Mass.

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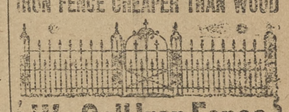

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Christmas on An Ocean Liner

Trees For Passengers and Crew, Presents, Toasts, Singing and Dancing Make It a Gala Day.

"THE man who spends his life on board a big passenger ship sees about as many different kinds of Christmases as anybody, I guess," said the captain of a North German Lloyd steamship as he sat in his cabin preparing for a holiday voyage to the Mediterranean.

"With a crowd of jolly passengers aboard who are off on a trip to enjoy themselves Christmas is a day to be remembered. Friends and relatives send gifts on ahead, so that they may be handed to passengers at the right time, and of course this personal remembrance from home makes more enjoyable the celebration which is always prepared on board the ship itself. The 24th of December passes about as do other days until dinner time arrives, and then the chefs and stewards outdo themselves in providing an elaborate menu and in table decorations.

"If the weather is fine, as it is likely to be, the passengers are in high spirits, for the Christmas feeling is infectious, no matter where you go. Toward the end of the dinner speeches are made, songs are rendered, stories are told and toasts are given, and when this is completed all go to the main saloon, and the Christmas tree is revealed, standing there in the middle, under the big skylight. It is a big tree, too, just as big as can be obtained and put in place, and on it are hung gifts from the ship for every passenger—not costly at all, but remembrances that are likely to be long preserved as souvenirs of a pleasant occasion. Then, if the sea is not high, the candles are lighted, and the tree bursts into beautiful illumination.

"After the distribution of gifts from the tree a concert is given if the weather is bad, but whenever Christmas eve is pleasant and the latitude is suitable the passengers go on deck, which they find to be shielded from the wind by canvas, brilliantly lighted and decorated with flags and bunting. And, I tell

GIFTS FROM THE SHIP FOR EVERY PASSENGER.

you, on a moonlight night, with a calm sea and soft, pleasant air, in the Mediterranean, for example, a Christmas eve aboard a great ship is something for most passengers to remember. I'm sure I can't imagine anything more charming.

"The band plays lively music, and the passengers dance on deck, but if they imagine they are the only ones aboard ship who are celebrating Christmas eve they are mistaken. If they were to look into the forecastle they would see another Christmas tree there, also covered with little decorations and gifts—the sailors' tree. For, you know, a German is only half a German without a tree on Christmas eve, and every German ship has one.

"Long before the ship sailed from her home port on the Christmas voyage friends and relatives of each sailor prepared some little presents, which they sent forward in care of some acquaintance in the crew so that their particular sailorman might have his surprise at the right time. Of course these gifts are inexpensive, for the sailor's family has little money to spare, but a pipe, warm stockings or some such article is received aboard the vessel and carefully kept until the proper time, when all are hung on the tree. The company gives the sailors a little wine or beer and Christmas cakes. This applies also to the firemen, who have a tree of their own in their room. So, as you will see, there are usually as many as three trees aboard the ship.

"The 25th of December we observe as a holiday on our ships, and all work is suspended aboard ship excepting that which it is absolutely necessary to perform. If there is a clergyman among the passengers he is requested to hold religious services for the tourists and also for the crew, and these are fully attended. On German vessels the captain does not officiate, as do English captains, at such ceremonies."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Where the Toys Come From.

The value of German toys exported to foreign countries last year was close to $13,700,000, of which the United States, as the principal customer, took about $4,000,000 worth. Sonneberg is the chief center of the industry. The annual report of the chamber of commerce of the Sonneberg district gives the following scale of daily wages paid to persons working on dolls and doll heads, the hours of labor being ten to ten and one-half: Male adults, 54 to 60 cents; female adults, 36 to 48 cents; male youths, 36 to 48 cents; girls, 24 to 37 cents. Most of the hands are paid by the piece, the men earning from $3.60 to $6, the women from $1.92 to $3.60 and the youths from $1.10 to $2.40 per week. On piecework some skilled males earn as high as $7.20 and expert women up to $4.32 per week.

The Reason Why.

Fred—I saw you let Tomkins kiss you under the mistletoe last night. Why did you refuse me permission?

Cousin May—Because, you silly boy, you asked.

Professional.

"Well, doctor, your treatise is ready to go to press. What are you going to do about an appendix?"

"Cut it out."—Houston Post.

'Twas the Week Before Christmas

MY folks act funny nowadays—
I can't tell what is going on.
When ma comes in she always says,
"What bundles come when I was gone?"
An' if I touch a closet door
Or hunt for playthings anywhere
Somebody runs across the floor
And says I "mustn't go in there!"

My sister talks a heap with ma,
But whispers when I come aroun'.
An' they hide things away so pa
Won't see 'em when he comes from town.
I told pa all about it too;
He only laughed, an said to me,
"This time o' year it's best for you
Not to observe the things you see."

"HAVE YOU BEEN LOOKING?"

There's packages behind the bed
In ma's room. When I found them there
I ast her what they was. She said,
"Have you been looking? I declare!"
An' now they're gone; but there's a lot
Of bundles in the cellar, though.
An' ma says she won't tell me what
They are, for I don't need to know.

Ma hides things from my sister—yes,
An' sister she hides things from ma.
They're sewin' somepin not a dress,
An' both of them hide that from pa!
There's somepin poked behind the books,
But pa he's gone an' turned the lock;
An' near as I can see, it looks
Like somepin's hid behind the clock.

My folks acts funny—I can't see
Why they should all drop ever'thing
An' pick some errand out for me
Whenever they hear our bell ring;
An' I ain't treated right, nohow.
It don't seem just exactly fair
Wherever I am started now
One of 'em says, "Don't go in there!"
—W. D. Nesbit in Chicago Tribune.

The First Christmas Observance.

Christmas gets its name from the mass celebrated in the early days of the Christian church in honor of the birth of Christ, its first solemnization having been ordered by Pope Telesphorus. This was in or before the year 138, for in that year Pope Telesphorus died. At first Christmas was what is known as a movable feast, just as Easter is now, and, owing to misunderstandings, was celebrated as late as April or May. In the fourth century an ecclesiastical investigation was ordered, and, upon the authority of the tables of the censors in the Roman archives, Dec. 25 was agreed upon as the date of the Saviour's Nativity. Tradition fixed the hour of birth at about midnight, and this led to the celebration of a midnight mass in all the churches, a second at dawn and a third in the later morning.

Christmas With Lewis and Clark.

Some rain at different times last night and showers of hail, with intervals of fair starlight. This morning at day we were saluted by our party under our winders, a Shout and a Song. After breakfast we divided our tobacco, which amounted 2 Carrots, one half we gave to the party who used Tobacco, those who did not we gave a Handkerchief as a present. The day proved showery all day, the Inds, left us this evening, all our party moved into their huts, we dried some of our wet goods. I received a present of a Fleese Hosery (fleece hosiery), vest, draws & Socks of Capt. Lewis, pr Mockersons of Whitehouse, a small Indian basket of Guterich (Goodrich) & 2 Doz weasels tales of the Squar of Shabono & some black roots of the Indians. Our Dinner to day consisted of pore Elk boiled, split fish & some roots, a bad Christmas dinner, warm day.—From "Newly Discovered Personal Records of Lewis and Clark."

Christmas Fires.

If one would revive a memory of the old Yule fire, a backing of hard wood, the largest to be had, should be chosen. The hearth should be clean and cold before Christmas even and the log set in place with the cedar or pine or other "light wood" kindlings at hand. As the sun goes down fire is applied and the big log set ablaze. In the days of the Druids, whence Yule log is derived, the priests lighted the annual log with an ember from the sacred perpetual fire they guarded. In the mountain regions of the south the hearth fire is kept with an almost equal fidelity, scarcely ever being permitted to die out from October to March, and in the cabins of the negroes it is no uncommon sight upon a Christmas night to see within the fireplace itself, their heads up the chimney, pickaninnies of various sizes busied in warming their toes, their bare feet resting on logs of cedar or hickory or oak and their black eyes rolling with anticipations of coming good things.—Harper's Bazar.

For St. Nicholas' White Horse.

In Belgium the children expect the good St. Nicholas to visit them. They think he rides on a white horse, so they polish their shoes with great care, fill them with hay, oats or carrots for the saint's horse and put them in the fireplace or on a table, and in the morning, instead of the forage, they find sticks for the bad children and candies for the good ones.

Laurel For Christmas Decoration.

The laurel being an evergreen makes a striking feature in a winter landscape. Enormous quantities are used in the Christmas dressing of churches for wreaths and other decorations. Mountain laurel can be grown for decorative purposes, and it is easily cultivated. What comes to market is gathered from the wild laurel growth.

BURGLARS RODE IN CARRIAGE

They Went About In a Handsome Vehicle While Robbing Apartments.

Three of the most industrious burglars that ever fell into the hands of the police have been taken to headquarters from the Harlem police court, says the New York Herald. They admit they are the men who have been ransacking the flats of Harlem to such an extent that some tenants were afraid to enter or leave their own apartments, while others migrated to neighborhoods less popular with the fraternity. In the manner in which they would sweep a flat clear of everything that could be sold and in the extraordinary frequency of their visits they broke all records.

William Hall, or Call, or Mulcaire, the ringleader, admits about 400 burglaries within the last two years. For Detective Sergeant D. G. Riley he identified twenty-two places he had robbed within the last two months and told where he had disposed of his loot.

His raids were made generally in the daylight and always with the aid of a carriage, he said. In three months there has been scarcely a day that Hall and his two partners have not hired a carriage for the purpose of carrying off their booty.

Sometimes they used a coupe, but more often they hired a stylish T cart, with a convenient locker under the rear folding seat for stowing their plunder.

Hall's assistants were Fred Martin, a man unknown to the detectives, and Stephen Hazen, a youth of twenty, a nephew of a wealthy and prominent resident of the Bronx. Hazen has but six months' experience in this work, though he has been arrested before on a charge of assault. He was an employee at a storage warehouse at a salary of $25 a week.

Martin, a good looking, erect young man of light complexion, was the driver of the plunder cart or carriage. Hall planned and executed the thefts, and Hazen used to help carry the loot to the carriage.

All three took a hand at pawning the plunder. Hall's plan was to watch for flats where the curtains were drawn. He would ring the flat's bell to make sure it was empty and then gain admission to the house by a ring at the bell of another flat. Martin would stay on watch on the box of the carriage, and Hazen would wait below until the flat had been cleaned out by Hall, who generally broke in the front door and then helped carry the

HIS RAIDS WERE MADE WITH THE AID OF A CARRIAGE.

goods down to the carriage. They rarely drove off until they had taken everything salable. Speaking of a recent robbery, Hall said that they made five trips upstairs for plunder. On the last trip they heard the signal of warning, but succeeded in eluding the police in their carriage. At this place they obtained $1,000 worth of loot. Cut glass and silver were their specialties, but they would neglect nothing. They would even take little trinkets and children's souvenirs.

At Hazen's house the detectives found, in addition to dozens of pieces of cut glass, packages of jewelry, since identified, and eight pairs of trousers.

Credit for the arrest of this remarkably energetic trio is due to Detective D. G. Riley, who was assigned, with Detectives Kear and Collins, to this important case of burglary. Riley discovered Martin disposing of a big silver pitcher. Martin said two men had given him the pitcher to pawn. Under threat of arrest, Martin led Riley to Hall and Hazen, who were waiting in a T cart. They whipped up the horse, but were overtaken and arrested.

Merely a Theory.

"Dear me!" exclaimed the landlady. "What a peculiar odor! It smells like a piece of burning rubber."

"Perhaps," rejoined the sarcastic boarder, "the cook has dropped a piece of the steak on the stove."—Detroit Tribune.

Kindness.

Do not be afraid of spoiling any one with kindness. It can't be done. Instead of spoiling it beautifies the character, cheers the heart and helps to raise the burden from shoulders which, though brave, sometimes grow very tired. Let not a little coldness frighten you away, for under a frigid exterior there is always to be found a tender chord which is to be touched by kindness and which responds in beautiful harmonies to those little acts of courtesy that are to the heart as sunshine is to the struggling plant.

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The world generally gives its admiration not to the man who does what nobody else attempts to do, but to the man who does best what multitudes do well.—Macaulay.

Lost In A Dory

Fishermen Were Caught In Fog In a Small Boat.

Separated From Their Schooner, They Drifted Out of Its Course and For Days Faced a Terrible Death.

Calmly, casually, phlegmatically, as you might tell of a week end visit, Ben Benson, a Gloucester fisherman, related the story of an experience which nine times in ten would have resulted in his death and that of his companion, says the New York Evening Sun.

Benson is a Norwegian, thirty-seven years old. He has been in this coun-

THE NICHOLAS II. CAME TO RENDER AID.

try since 1888. For years and years he has followed the banks. Together with Ben Oleson he shipped some months ago on the fishing schooner Arbutus of Gloucester. The trip was successful and the men were happy. Shares were to turn out very good.

On the morning of Sept. 9 Captain Pfluger gave orders that everything should be made ready to pack fish. He assigned Benson and Oleson to first lay out the trawls. They pulled away in their little sixteen foot dory, happy at the prospect that packing was to begin so early and that they might have time afterward for a rest. Then from a seemingly cloudless sky a great gray bank rolled down upon them. The scourge and dread of the banks, the deadly fog, lay between them and civilization.

Lost? Why, no. The same thing had happened dozens of times before and they had thought nothing of it. The swiftness of the tide first alarmed them. They could not check their boat, as the anchor had been left behind when the dories were cleaned in the morning, and the water barrel, too, had been left behind.

The fog stayed thickly about them for more than twenty-four hours. Before it had gone the wind commenced to rise, and soon giant seas were threatening to swamp their frail craft. Their sail, stretched across the bow, could not keep out the great waves. Wet and chilled to the bone, they bailed in frantic efforts to keep their craft afloat.

It was on this day, the second since they had left the Arbutus, that apparent rescue came to them. An English tramp steamship came in close, so close that its officers could stand at the rail and look down into the little dory. The dory mates shouted for joy that they were saved. But their good Samaritan was yet to come. The pharisee passed by on the other side and left the fishermen to their fate.

On the third day they sighted another vessed, a passenger steamer, they thought, but it was too far away to make them out. They were nearly crazed now from thirst. The sea beside them looked tempting, and they moistened their throats. But it scorched and seared like a hot iron. For three days more they had to endure this. The pitiless sun came forth to show neither sail nor smoke upon the horizon. Reduced almost to stupor, with eyes bleared, they could only crouch in the boat and wait. Death or succor must come to them surely within a day. On the sixth day they were rescued. The Nicholas II. sighted the drifting dory and came to render aid. The victims were more dead than alive and were sightless. They did not know that they had been saved until their rescuer steamed alongside. Willing hands heaved a rope, which they managed to hold, and sailors pulled them to the deck.

They were taken to Copenhagen and turned over to the American consul. Oleson thought it a good time to visit his old home in Norway. Consul Frazier shipped him there. Benson wished to return to America and shipped on the Heilig Olav. His story was told by the purser, and $12 was raised to provide him with railroad fare to his home.

A Thirsty Woodchuck.

One of the best story tellers of his time was Han Thompson of Auburn, Me. The following is what Han told of what he and his brother John tried to do in the way of catching a woodchuck: They had tried quite a number of times to capture the animal, but unsuccessfully. At last they decided to drown him out. So, procuring four pails, each took two, and they carried water for two solid hours and poured it into the hole in the ground in which the said "chuck" had taken up his abode. Getting tired, they sat down. After about half an hour the woodchuck cautiously left the hole and deliberately walked down to the brook and took a long drink of water, and then scooted, much to the disgust of the two boys.—Boston Herald.

The Spirit of Giving.

Don't give only where you expect a return or wonder whether you will be supposed to buy something for A., B. or C. The spirit of Christmas lies in the loving and the giving—never in the receiving.

STEVENSON'S THEORY.

Tantalizing Tale of the Novelist and a Detective.

Scotland Yard would no doubt scorn to take a story writer into its councils as an American detective consulted R. L. Stevenson. Arthur Johnstone in his "Stevenson In the Pacific" tells the striking tale, leaving you, however, tantalized with the desire to know what the case was and what were the respective solutions of the professional and the amateur detectives, says T. P.'s London Weekly.

As they sat together one evening on the veranda of an inn at Waikiki the detective confided to Stevenson a case of extreme difficulty he had in hand and also his theory of its solution. As Stevenson hardly seemed to attend, for he sat looking dreamily at the sea, the detective left him to have a chat with the more responsive landlord.

On his return to the veranda, however, Stevenson suddenly roused himself to say: "I think I have solved that riddle of yours. You see, it's just like writing a story. If you go at it right, it will work out right. Now, your theory does not do at all because it will never work out. Let me give you my theory of the case, and then tell me what you think of it."

The detective did not at first think anything of Stevenson's theory of the case. It was daring even for a theory and dangerous to work if it did not happen to come off. But on thinking it well over, with Stevenson's shining eyes fixed intently on his face, the professional began to believe there was something in it.

When Stevenson at last asked triumphantly, "Well?" he replied, "Well, sir, I shall try your theory, but if it doesn't win you and I will lose between us the thousand dollar fee I am to be paid for a conviction." At this Stevenson laughed and said, "Sir, if it doesn't win I will pay you the thousand dollars and throw you the theory in for nothing." But it won.

THE CHAMELEON.

Some of the Peculiarities of This Very Queer Animal.

A most remarkable creature is the chameleon. To all appearances the nervous centers in one lateral half of this animal work independently of those in the other, and it has two lateral centers of perception—sensation and motion—besides the common one in which must reside the faculty of concentration. The eyes move independently of one another and convey separate impressions to their respective centers of perception. The consequence is that when the animal is agitated its movements resemble those of two animals or rather perhaps two halves of animals glued together. Each half wishes to go its own way, and there is no concordance of action.

Therefore the chameleon is the only four legged vertebrate that is unable to swim. It becomes so frightened when dropped into water that all faculty of concentration is lost and the creature tumbles about as if in a state of intoxication. When a chameleon is undisturbed every impulse to motion is referred to the proper tribunal, and the whole organism acts in accordance with its decrees. The eye, for example, that receives the strongest impression propagates it to the common center, which then prevails upon the other eye to follow that impression and direct its gaze toward the same object.

Moreover, the chameleon may be fast asleep on one side and wide awake on the other. Cautiously approached at night with a candle so as not to awaken the whole animal at once, the eye turned toward the light will open, begin to move and the corresponding side to change color. The other side will remain for a longer or shorter time in a torpid, motionless and unchanged state with its eye fast shut.—Chicago News.

Not a Bad Idea.

Johnny—Tommy, let's put our pennies together and buy ma a nice Christmas present.

Tommy—All right.

"What shall it be?"

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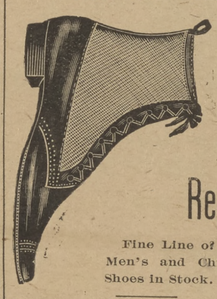

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